

IN THE DRAWINGS

The attached sheets of drawings includes changes to Figs. 1 and 10. These sheets, which include Figs. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, and 10 replaces the original sheets including Figs. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, and 10.

Attachment: Replacement Sheets (2)

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Favorable reconsideration of this application in light of the following discussion is respectfully requested.

Claims 1-22 are presently active in this case. The present Amendment amends Claims 14, 15 and 21. No new matter is added.

The outstanding Office Action objected to the specification, abstract and drawings because of informalities. The outstanding Office Action rejected Claim 21 under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite.

Claims 1-20 and 22 were allowed and Claim 21 was indicated as allowable if rewritten to overcome the rejection under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph. Applicant acknowledges with appreciation the indication of allowable subject matter.

In response to the objection to the specification, the specification is amended to add the appropriate sub-headings and to correct the noted informalities.

In response to the objection to the Abstract, the Abstract is amended to correct the noted informalities and to comply better with U.S. practice.

In response to the objection to the drawings, submitted herewith is a Letter Submitting Drawing Sheets along with two Replacement Sheets for Figs. 1-10 adding "Prior Art" to Fig. 1, and the reference numeral 121 to Fig. 10.

In light of their formal nature, the changes to the specification, Abstract, and drawings do not raise a question of new matter.

In response to the rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, Claim 21 is amended to correct the noted informalities. In view of amended Claim 21, it is believed that all pending claims are definite and no further rejection on that basis is anticipated. If, however, the Examiner disagrees, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned who

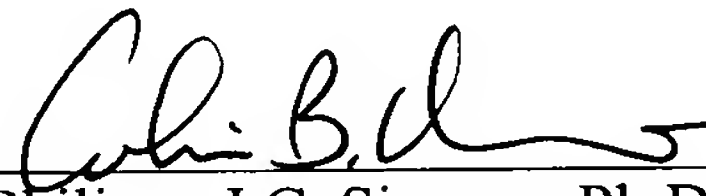
will be happy to work with the Examiner in a joint effort to derive mutually acceptable language.

Consequently, in view of the present amendment, no further issues are believed to be outstanding in the present application, and the present application is believed to be in condition for formal Allowance. A Notice of Allowance for Claims 1-22 is earnestly solicited.

Should the Examiner deem that any further action is necessary to place this application in even better form for allowance, the Examiner is encouraged to contact Applicant's undersigned representative at the below listed telephone number.

Respectfully submitted,

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